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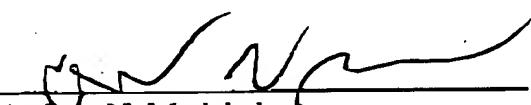
Dear Sir:

The present paper is submitted at the Examiner's request to inform him of the subject matter to be discussed in a scheduled telephonic interview. The purpose of the interview is to discuss the meaning of the term "filling" as used in the claims of the present application, and the lack of teaching of "filling" in Sherman (U.S. Publication No. 2002/0031618).

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